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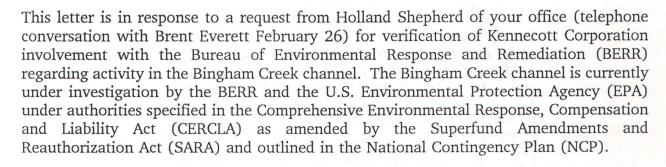
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Wayne Hedberg, Minerals Permits Supervisor Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 3 Triad Center, Suite 350 Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Dear Mr. Hedberg:



Preliminary BERR sampling conducted in last August discovered elevated levels of lead and arsenic in the soils and sediments of the Bingham Creek channel and associated floodplain areas. In response to these initial findings, Kennecott conducted extensive sampling of the channel last fall. Kennecott's work included additional sampling and the testing of safety and removal techniques at three locations in the channel. The State and EPA are continuing to conduct extensive sampling of sediments in the creek channel as a result of the State's preliminary findings and will hopefully have the cooperation of Kennecott in planning possible remediation of the problem areas.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Bob McLeod or Brent Everett at 538-6338.

Sincerely,

Kent P. Gray, Director

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